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WASHINGTON, D. C., SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 3, 1881---DOUBLE SHEET.

THREE CENTS.

The Night Before the Battle-The Friends of Kelfer Kasson, and Hiscock Confident-Dannell, Orth, Burrows, and Reed Still in the Field.

Yesterday was a field day for the lieutenants of the candidates for the Speakership.
At an early hour these trusty hendmen were
afoot and had scanned the registers of the various hotels in order to drop down upon such unsus-pecting Representatives as had arrived on late evening and early morning trains. Even those unsuspecting solons who had drifted away from the great caravansaries and sought the retire-ment of rooms in private houses found it impos-sible to clude the energetic search of the strikent, During the morning it became apparent that the Bobitt House would be the theatre of operations during the evening, and several candidates for minor offices, as well as one or two mentioned for the Speakership, secured rooms and shifted their headquarters to this hotel. Landord Willard evidently appreciated the status of affairs, and be-fore noon had flung his banners to the breeze, and decorated the manuard roof of his house with yards upon yards of buning. During the foremont from various doubtes. yards upon yards of bunting. During the forenoon there was an effort made to bring the delegations from various doubtful States together and secure something like a full expression and opinion leading up to the unit rule. This proved hard work. By a diut of very persistent toll the Republican members of the

PENNSYLVANIA DELECATION
were got together and held a meeting in the Red Parior at the Edbitt House at two p. m., ad-journing at 4:35 p. m. to meet to-day at ten a. m. At the opening of the meeting a bare majority of the Representatives present were apparently in favor of the candidacy of Hiscock for Speaker, but the debate was vigorous and excited, and nothing was discussed beyond the question of the Speak-ership. During the session of the delegation it was stated that of the nincteen Republican members from that State eleven were in favor of cauting the vote in caucus for Mr. Hiscock. A general opinion prevailed that the vote of the delegation should be given as a unit, which will be a powerful influ-ence in the general caucus to-day, but a very prominent member of the delegation said last night that he had understood since the adjourn-ment that three or four members had concluded to vote for General Keifer. It is claimed that the to vote for General Keifer. It is claimed that the change will inure to General Keifer's benefit. The question of the House offices was not discussed at all, but from remarks made it is apparent that the majority of this delegation at least, are in favor of voting for Mr. Rainey, of Bouth Carolina, on the ground that if he was deemed worthy of the barren honor of the party nomination for the Forty-Sixth Congress as Clerk when there was no earthly chance of an election, he is entitled as well now. The Representative from whom this information was had is a member from Philadelphia, who intimated that he intends to vote for Keifer and Rainey himself.

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said to The REPURLICAN that he was annoved at the lack of barmony among Western members in their support of a Western candidate for the Speakership. He thought his section was fairly entitled to that office, and that the Eastern and Middle liates ought to concede that preferment. Some of the Eastern candidate, while members from the Western candidate, while members from the Western candidate, while insubers from the Western candidate, while insubers from the Western candidate, while insubers from the Western to prefer an Eastern candidate. To the Inquiry, "Why he considered the West entitled to the Speakership," he said:

"The marvelous increase in population, wealth, and resources of the West entitles that section to more than ordinary consideration at this period. There are grave and important questions, heretofore local, which have now become national, and which from various causes are not properly appreciated at the East. Prominent among these is the improvement of the Mississippi River and its tributaries, in the interest of cheap and safe transportation to the seaboard of the vast products of the West. It seems to me that the members from the Mississippi River and its tributaries, in the interest of cheap and safe transportation to the seaboard of the vast products of the West."

"Why should an Eastern candidate who is familiar with the importance of these interests."

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"The Eastern candidate cannot be supposed to be familiar with the wants and in sympathy with the interests of the West. In results. The East has the President, Secretary of the Treasury, and Postmaster-General, all from the State of New York, and we think the Speakership should go elsewhere, notably to the West."

"What candidate would be satisfactory to the West."

"As matters now stand, it does not seem possible to determine until the three leading ran

West?"
"As matters now stand, it does not seem possi-"As matters now stand, it does not seem possible to determine until the three leading candidates have developed and exhausted their respective strength. A break is inevitable and when it comes another candidate must be taken up. Of those mentioned I consider Mr. Dunnell, of Minnesota, the most available and neceptable to all sections. He is the oldest member in continuous service, except Mr. Kelley, of Pennsylvania, and has served with credit on the Committee of Ways and Means and Commerce. He is fimiliar with all the members and thoroughly understands the methods of legislative and parliamentary law. He is a ready debater and an accomplished scholar. He was chosen president of the recent Mississiph River Improvement Convention at St. Louis, and is now the permanent president of that organization."

A veteran of the third House, who has the reputation of behng aiways fully posted, said at a late hour last night that after a careful canvass of the situation he was disposed to place the relative strength of the Expandent of Speakership about as follows: Kelfer—Note of the Speakership about as follows: Kelfer—Note of the careful canvas to the strength of the Control of the careful canvas to the strength of the Expandent of Speakership about as follows: Kelfer—Note of the careful canvas to the careful canvas to the careful canvas to the strength of the Speakership about as follows: Kelfer—Note of the careful canvas to the second cancer of the careful canvas to the second cancer of the careful canvas to the careful canv

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for the Speakership about as follows: Keifer—
Ohio, 15; Wiscousin, 5; Pacific States, including
Colorado, 4; Kanssa and Nobraska, 3; Illinois, 2;
Southern States, 9; Pennsylvania, 9; New England
States, 3—total, 50. Hiscock—New York, 19; Pennsylvania, 9; New England States, 15; Illinois, 6;
New Jersey, 1; Michigan, 2—total, 51. That the reports are somewhat conflicting about
the course that the Hon. J. Hyatt Smith will pursue, one being that he will enter the caucus on
purpose to support Hiscock; another that he will
enter the caucus and surport Keifer, while still
another authentic Individual avers that he will
not go into the caucus, but will vote
on personal grounds for Keifer, should
that gentleman receive the caucus nomination.
That his calculations are that Orth will have indiana's eight votes solid, and they say as many
more from other sources; that Kasson will have
Iowa's file, and an unknown number scattering;
that Dunnell will have Minnesota's three, and
that Burrows will have seven of the Michigan
delegation.

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met last right and determined, without a dissenting voice, to stand by Mr. Burrows for Speaker. There was perfect harmony and good feeling in the entire delegation. One of his supporters said that Mr. Burrows has strong claims for this preferment at the hands of the Republican majority; that he was a lawyer of eminent ability, and during the late war was an officer in a Michigau regiment, thus attesting his devotion to the Union; that since the war he has represented his district in Congress for three terms; that he is a man of keen dissernment, quick perception, of unsuited character, above corruption, and a most excellent parliamentarian; that on the questions of finance and tariff he is in accord with the principles of the Republican parity; these qualifications are eminently essential for a Speaker; that for the last six years he has labored from Maine to California for the success of the party, and that without the expectation of fee or reward; that Michigam being the banner State so far as Republican representation in the last, as well as the coming Congress in converned, her claims should be acknowledged and her candidate elected.

THE GREAT CONTEST.

Suspicion by many influential members of the defection from the Empire State, and there is a strong disposition to utilize the present opportunity to rebute his presumption and punish his troason in the past. Should a ballot or two in caucus demonstrate that the strength of the litres leading candidates is too nearly balanced to indicate the early selection of one of them, it is believed by

that he will at once take a prominent place in the centest. The Representatives of the Housier State will stand by him like a stone wall, and asserted last night that there are a number of votes conditionally pledged to Keifer that will at once swing over to the support of their candidate. The contingency of a break after the first hallot is the weak spot in the prospects of each of the three leading candidates, and it is the one thing that their supporters have been unable to provide against. While there are perhaps a mojority of Republican Representatives who have committed themselves for the first show of hands in the Joaucus, there are comparatively few who can be induced to speak out on the matter of second choice. Then again there are many influential members who deprecate anything like a protracted fight over the Secakership, and who, in the event of such a prospect being presented, will rally at once to the support of any THE PRIENDS OF ORTH

to enter a dark horse for the race, Orth or Dunnell will secure the nomination.

RED, OF MAINE,

and Kelley, of Pennsylvania, have some strength, but unless some new element shall be injected into the situation it is not probable that their mines will be before the caucus after the first ballot. This morning there will be but a few hours to devote to work, but in view of the uncertainty that now clouds the situation, it may be expected that every moment up to high noon will be utilized by the friends of the various candidates. An incident of the evening at the Ebhitt House, sized upon by the observing and construed as meaning a great deal, was the fact that shortly before cleven o'clock General Keifer and Representative Orth left the hotel together, arm-in-arm, and up to midnight getther genteman had returned. Ex-Speaker Randall was circulating about the up-town hotels, and it was said last night that he had put in some big licks for Hiscock. Throughout the evening the influential Department clerk was a feature in the hotel lobbles, and from the decided interest manifessed by them in the relative chances of sapirauls for the Speakership and subordinate positions under the House, an unposted Granger would have jumped to the conclusion that they would be called upon to assist the caucus in selecting the candidates. At the various headquarters there was a strong force of regulars on duty, and demiljohns and cligar boxes were impected with a frequency that will countribute to swell the campaign expenses of the patriots who are seeking preferment to-day. At the down-town hotels there was not so large a crowd collected, and not near the laterest manifested.

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For Clerk of the House, Those who are not friendly to Rainey, of South Carolina, for the Clerkship are circulating the story that he is not a citizen of that State. This is not so. Mr. Rainey is educating his children in Connecticut, but is yet a citizen of the State he once represented in Congress, and canvassed and voted there at the last election.

The race for the Clerkship of the House is now said to be narrowed down to Rainey and Keim, with chancel grantly in twee, to be hopeful of his

election.
General Ben, Le Fevre, of Ohio, said last night that if the Democrats failed to make a nomination for Clerk of the House that he would join Hon. Alexander H. Stephens, of Georgia, and vote for Hon. J. H. Rainey, the ex. Representative from South Carolins.
Colonel Frank C. Hosten of West Chester, Pa. is South Carolins.
Colonel Frank C. Hooten, of West Chester, Pa., is a new candidate for Clerk of the House, and is said to have Cameronian influence.

Sergeant-at-Arms.
George F. Dawson, of California, treas-

urer of the Congressional Committee, is urged by delegation from the Pacific coast for Sergeant-at-Col. Hooker, of Vermont, is said to be the strong-st of any of the candiciates for Sergeant-at-Arms, James R. Davis, of New York, is still in the field or Sergeant-at-Arms, with head-quarters at Wil-

At a meeting of the Southern Repubican members of Congress yesterday evening at he rooms of Judge Houk, of Tennessee, it was the rooms of Judge Houk, of Tennessee, it was unanimously agreed to urge upon the Republican cancus the nomination of Walter P. Brownlow, of Tennessee, for Doorke-per. It was also decided to present no other name to the caucus for other positions. This action seems to have stampeded the other Southern candidates for positions, and sime of them have gracefully withdrawn. Among the latter number is Colonei Jack Brown, of Georgia, who will ask his friends to support Colonel Brownlow. Brownlow is a nephew of the ceebrated fighting parson of that name, and fought for the Union when but seventeen years of age. He is a journalist by profession and a popular and clever gertleman. The above action would seem to be a ceath blow to Rainey, who cannot hope to succeed without the indorsement of the Southern members. Major Popham, of Virginia, Readjuster, has also withdrawn in favor of Brownlow.

Lucien J. Barnes, of Arkansas, has announced that he is in favor of Colonel Brownlow for Doorkeeper.

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Samuel R. Strattan, of Pennsylvania, chief of the registration division, Post-Office Department, is also a candidate for Doorkeeper. George Christ, of Iowa, who has his delegation for him solid, and Captain Ira Geodenow, of New York, are busy at work among their friends for the pesition of Doorkeeper. Christ has a strong following.

Gen rul Fitch, of Ohio, has a strong soldier back-ing for the position of Doorkeeper.

For Assistant Doorkeeper. of the House, Jim Wood, the Irish miner of In-dians, will undoubtedly be appointed assistant, "Left-Handed Jim," as the Democrats call him, is not only a good fellow, with warm friends among the Pennsylvania and other State delega-tions where he has canvased, but has had experience as Assistant Doorkeeper of the lower house of the Indiana Legislature at the regular session and as doorkeeper at the called session. By all means he should receive the position he desires.

Harry Sherwood, of Michigan, the o nelegged soldier, is the strongest candidate for his old position. There are a number of others in the field, but Sherwood is believed to have a walk-

Rev. William H. Milburn, of Illinois, known throughout this country and Europe as the "Eloquent Blind Prescher," is a candidate for the Chaplainey of the House. Dr. Milburn arrived in this city yesterday, and has taken quarters at the

Dr. John Chester, paster of the Metropolitan Presbyterian Church on Capitel Hill, whose friends will present his name as a candidate for the chapmulled character, above corrubion, and a most excellent parliamentarian; that on the questions of finance and tariff he is in second with the principles of the Republican party; that principles of the Republican party; that the second with the principles of the Republican party; that the second with the principles of the Republican party; that the second with the principles of the Republican party; that Michigan being the war actively engaged in taking care of wounded soldlers in the hospitals of this clay, often the second with the principles of the Republican party; that Michigan being the war actively engaged in taking care of wounded soldlers in the hospitals of this clay, often the party, and that without the expectation of fee or reward; that Michigan being the hospitals of the second with the second of the county Congress in concess of the party, and that without the expectation of fee or reward; that Michigan being the hospitals of the second of the county Congress in concess of the second of the county Congress in concess of the second of the county Congress in concess of the second of the county Congress in concess of the second of the county of the second of the second of the county of the second of the second of the postition of the second of the postition of the second of the second of the postition of the second of the secon

PERSONAL MENTION.

MATTERS SOCIAL AND BENEVOLENT.

A New Departure-Homes for the Winter-Congres sional Notes of Interest-Women's National Belief Association-Ita Officers and Work.

Surprise and dissatisfaction are exemed that the ladies' dressing-room adjacent to se Senate gallery has been appropriated for comadmirable for the comfort of lady visitors, and were provided at great expense. The channels for the water-pipes had been drilled in the solid masonry at an outlay of between five and six thousand dollars. An inconvenient substitute for this comfortable retiring-room has been assigned for the ladies in the Senatebasement. Should a Senator's wife or other lady visiting the gallery grow faint or thirsty from the vitiated air she must now go a long distance to refresh herself, as also to resume her extra wraps on leaving the building. When

wife or other lady visiting the gallery grow faint or thirsty from the vitated air she must now go a long distance to refresh herself, as also to resume her extra wraps on leaving the building. When the Senators' wives reach Washington in full force there will doubtless be vigorous remonstrance against this new order of things.

General Green B. Raum, since his removal from Connecticut avenue, near the British legation, to his handsome new quarters at 639 East Capitol sireet, finds himself very conveniently situated, as his chief clerk, General W. T. Clark, and the Solicitor of Internal Revenue, Mr. Charke and the Solicitor of Internal Revenue, Mr. Charke Chosley, are located on the same square. Mrs. Raum, whose domestic and refined tastes make her house, he is a specially heppy one, is also gratified with the standard of the streaming of the successful business man in Congress Besides his extensive law practice, he is treasurer of a heavy firm engaged in manufacturing furniture, and also president of the National Bank at Fort Atkinson, where he has a home so ele ant in all its appointment that it is a sacrifice to leave it. He has also a farm on the Nineteen for the control of the successful business man in Congress. Besides his extensive law practice, he is treasurer of a heavy firm engaged in manufacturing furniture, and also president of the National Bank at Fort Atkinson, where he has a home so ele ant in all its appointments that it is a sacrifice to leave it. He has also a farm on the Nineteen of the character of the subject of the s

who resides in Wooster, Wayne County, is one of the abiest campaign speakers in his State, and a successful lawyer and editor. Though new to congressional honors, these gentlemen come with more than ordinary prestige, and will take prominent rank from the first.

Judge Scanield, of the Court of Claims, has been joined at the Riggs House by his wife and daughter, who arrived yesterday.

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Hon. Thaddeus C. Pound, member from the Capital last week, has had his handsome team brought in from the country for winer use. Mrs. Pound will join him at their tasteful home of last winter, No. 1015 L street, about the holidays. Governor Pannd was named by several prominent papers in his own and adjuining States as a fitting candidate for the Speakership of the coming Congress, by reason of the experience gained while presiding in his State Legislature for three terms.

Mr. Ebon D. Appleton, son of Hon. John Appleton, who was here in years past as Representative from the Portland (Me.) district and as Assistant Secretary of State, will pass the winter at the Ebbitt House.

The Women's National Relief Association has issued a neat and attractive pemphiet setting forth its present work and ultimate scope. This association has for its acting president Mrs. Morrison R. Waite, wife of the Chief Justice. Two auxiliaries have been formed, one in New York, with Mrs. Gabriel Kent as its presiding officer and Miss Alica. Schulling, Mrs. Schwing officers ladies of navy, army, and Cabinet circles. Mrs. Hannah McLaren Shepard, 2256 G street, is its efficient corresponding secretary. In its executive committee and membership are a number of ladies who were solive in the Sanitary Commission and as nurses during the war. Those two auxiliaries he hed, and presed of the life-sa

sideration of the first practical work undertaken by it the National Association has adopted as the ensign for it and its auxiliaries a blue auchor on a white field surrounded by a blue cable. The nurses belonging to the New York State auxiliary society hold themselves in readiness to go whenever telegraphed for to any part of the long Island or New Jersey Const, to take care of shipwrecked persons who may need their services. The District of Columbia auxiliary has also trained nurses in its membership, who hold themselves in like attitude for the Southern districts.

Mrs. A. T. Longley, of Capitol Hill, is enjoying a visit from her brother, Mr. King, of New Philadelphia, Ohio, who is sejourning here on his return from visiting their venerable mother in Massachisetta, aged ninety-three.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carroll arrived at the Arlington yesterday. Mrs. Carroll, as Miss Carrie Starin, was beloved and admired by every one. Unselfish and considerate of others, she charmed all who knew her, was the most delightful of friends, and is one of the noblest of women.

Hon. William H. Forney, of Alabama, is comfortably fixed in his old rooms, No. 1116 Street northwest.

Senator Hale and family are occupying the house of Hon. L. P. Morton, opposite Wormley's Hotel.

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General Graina and family have been visiting Mrs. General Ricketts for some weeks. As the family numbers eight little ones, the mansion has been very lively during their sojourn.

Secretary Folger expects to take possession of the month, and his daughter will not come until the house is ready for them. Miss Folger is both intelligent and agreeable, and will be quite an acquisition to the social circle.

Mrs. McGreery, sister of Mrs. Justice Field, has taken a house on K street, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth streets. Having traveled extensively both in this country and abroad in pursuit of health, she has been induced to try the climate of Washington, and her many friends will be glad to learn that under the care of one of our leading physicians she has greatly improved in health.

Dr. and Mrs. Nelson, formerly of St. John's College, Almapolis, Md., who have been spending a few days with General Hagner, have returned to Brookeville, Md. Dr. Nelson is now at the head of the flourishing academy so beautifully situated in the submets of Brookeville. Their accomplished daughter will spend the winter at Judge Hagner's.

Mrs. Burnett, in her new story, "Through One Administration," is rather severe upon the lady correspondents of this city. Sio says, rather rouleally: They are so annable, have such an incanding playing and the submets of Brookeville. Sio says, as a submy forespondent of this city. Sio says, rather rouleally: They are so annable, have such an incanding playing free some severe upon the lady correspondents of this city. Sio says, rather rouleally: They are so annable, have such an incanding playing free some severe man the firmer, which is repeated and things by stading playin facts. Now, for lindance, Mrs. A. may have a dumny figure, red bair, and a fre

SECRETARY LINCOLN'S REPORT. in Increase of the Army Recommended-

Other Suggestions The annual report of the Secretary of The annual report of the Secretary of War was made public yesterday. It is chiefly de-vated to the consideration of the important recom-mendations contained in the annual report of his subordinates. General Sherman's recommendation that the army belincressed to thirty thousand men receives Secretary Lincoln's exmest indorse-ment. The attention of Congress is caused to the need of legislation to prevent in-trusions upon Indian lands, especially from Kansas into the Indian Territory. Secretary Lincoln invites special attention to that part of the report of General Wright, Chief of En-

to put our coasts in an efficient condition of defense." Referring to the subject of

THE STANDER OF ACQUIRENEEDS

necessary for admission to the Military Academy
at West Point, the Secretary says: "I concur in
the views of my predicessor that it would not be
well to raise the standard of admission. The result of the last examination, in which 90 the forsult of the last examination, in which 90 the forsult of the last examination, in which 90 the forwould undoubselly, if they and been, so situated
as to receive proper preliminary training prove
valuable officers. It has recently been recommended to me by the Academic Board to permit
the discontinuance of certain prescribed studies
in the course, for the purpose of giving time for
others, the importance of which was apparent. A
consideration of the subject suggested by this
recommendation leads me to the belief
that it would be been to extend the
course so as to cover five years. It is
believed that by so doing not ony would the benefits
of the academy be more widely extended, but that
the graduates would be prepared to render better
service to the country." The actual expenditures
under the War Department for the fiscal year-ended
June 20, 1831, wore \$12,122,201, the appropriations
for 1832 were \$14,880,725, and the estimates for 1802
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to the Secretary for revision included: For armament of fortifications, \$72,000; fortifications and other works of defense, \$4,186,500; improving rivers and harbors, \$25,101,500; improving rivers and knrbors, \$25,101,500; improving Mississippi River, by commission, \$1,25,000; public buildings and grounds in and near Washington, \$74,960; surveys of lakes, \$20,000; total, \$35,000,500. This amount, he says, "has been reduced on my own revision to agregate \$10,889,000, which sum, if judiciously allotted by Congress, will be, in my judgment, a reasonable allowance for this class of expenses during the next fiscal year."

Another Pacific Railroad Connection. GALVESTON, TEX., Dec. 2.-A special to the News from Fort Worth says: "In the work of connecting the Texas Pacific track with that of the Southern Pacific atsix o'clock yesterdayafternoon Southern Pacific at six o clock yesterilay afternoon two of the last spikes were driven by Mrs. William Stall and Mrs. R. E. Moutgomery, the latter a daughter of General Dodge. The last two spikes were driven by H. M. Hoxic and L. W. Washburne by the light of bonfires. The first englise passed over from the Texas Pacific to the Southern Pacific track, and, after the placing of gold and sliver coins on the track by the magnates present, the party booke up."

In Defense of Lieutenant Fitpper. Flipper's servant girl was heard before Flipper's servant girl was heard before the military court-martial at Fort Intib. Texastion a vigorous effort was made to confuse the witness memory, has without surcess. The witness said she never dressed herself in Flipper's quarters, but always at Mrs. Absach's, she could not remember anything about the steps taken to get her out of jail. On re-essantiantion sine said her friends took the necessary steps to convict her. She never spent a night in Flipper's quarters.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2.-At the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Peace Society, held to-day, a series of resolutions expressive of the convictions of the society were adopted. A reso-tion protesting against capital purishment and ex-ressing the belief of the society that the memory of President Gardeld would be none

Yesterday was the anniversary of John rown's last labor for human liberty on earth. I wenty-one years ago he was hung at Harper's

Jonanta Miller's Suit Dissolved. New York, Dec. 2.-The injunction granted in the suit of Joaquin Miller against Me-Kee Rankin to restrain the production of the play 49," on the ground that it is an infringement of ie one called "California Gobl," was dissolved orday in the Supreme Court, with leave to the laintiff to renew bis application.

The Insolence of John Bull. Courter from London states that Mr. West, Minister of the United States, has been instructed to recall he matter of the "assussination press" (certain rish organs) in the United States to the attention of the Government at Washington.

"Hall Fellows Well Met!" Augusta, Ga., Dec. 2. — Postmaster-meral James, Hon. Erastus Brooks, of New York, and Hon. Alex. McClure, of Philadelphia, are here and receiving the hospitalities of the mayor and prominent citizens. They leave this evening for the North.

HOM. W. MEANS, of Ohio, is domiciled at Willard's.

VICE-PRESIDENT DAVID DAVIS is a guest at the

winter in Washington.
SENATOR VAN WYCK, of Nebraska, will not arrive
in the city until Tuesday.
How, Huon Hastisses, editor of the New York,

Commercial Advertiser, is at Willard's.
W. W. Whanyon, Esq., Cherk of the United States
Court at Pennecia, Florida, is a guest at Willards.
Colonial C.S. Panish, mayor of the city of Wabash, nd, arrived in the city yesterday. It is needless to

The residence and office of the Peruvian Legation have been changed to the Hamilton, corner of Four-teenth and K streets surth west.

Tr is stated that Colonel John S. Mosby, on his resure from China, will lead to the altar a well-known society lady of Alexandria. Colonel Mosby is a widower.

COLONEL WILLIAM F. HENDERSON, of Lexington, N. C., accompanied by his talented and accomplished daughter. Miss Luia, is registered at the Metropolitan. The Colonel is a leading Republican in the old North

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An order was issued by the Acting Postmaster General yesterday to authorise the free transmission through the mails of the reports of agricultural colleges which the law requires to be interchanged among all the colleges annually.

This correspondents of various Western newspapers sont off dispatches tast night, claiming that Secretary of State Blaine had concluded to send two designates to Chill-Mesers. Walker Blaine and Trescott—to settle the Chill-Peruvian embroglic.

Accompine to reports received by the National Board of Realth, simil-pax prevails at Plitsburg, Richmond, Philadsiphia, Brockiyo, and Chicago, Twonty-eight deaths from the disease are reported to have occurred in the latter city during the tast week in November.

Resculticanselflows who have reached Washington in the last day or two report that Senator McDill.

TWENTY-TWO YEARS

A STALWART REPUBLICAN JOURNAL

A Brief Shetch of the History of "The Republican," Giving Some of the Prominent Incidents In Its Coreer-Its Phenomenal Prosperity Last Year.

On Monday last a brief editorial mention was made of the commencement of a new volume of THE NATIONAL REPUBLICAN. In view part of the report of General Wright, Chief of Kingineers, which refers to our sea-chast defenses, and on this subject says: "The Chief of the paper during the last year it is deemed that and on this subject says: "The Chief of a brief sketch of its history will prove of interest at Engineers shown that a defense by fortifications and torpedoes is the only one which is at all practicable for coasts as extended as ours, comprising so many planchard, Martin Buell, George M. Weston, and J. Ich maritime cities, extensive navy-yards, and J. Coombs. Mr. Clephane, who had the largest interest in the enterprise, was the business man-ager, or publisher. Mr. Weston was the editor, and depots of supply: that any attempt at any other mode of defense would be enormously expensive, both for first cost and cost of maintenance, and that it is the only mode adopted by maritime nations. Experience shows that NODERS WARR COME ON SUPPORTLY;

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and was named after that organization. In talk-ing with Mr. Clephane the other day that gentleing with Mr. Clephane the other day that gentle-man stated that there had been consider-able discussion as to the christening of the proposed paper, and that after the name had been determined upon the late Sal-mon P. Chase considered it an unfortunate scien-tion. "It is not wise," said Mr. Chase, "to call a paper after a party. You should have given it the

Mr. Clephane was appointed city postmaster and Mr. Murtagh succeeded to the business manage-ment. Among other early changes were the reformer going to the Sandwich Islands and the latter accepting a position in the Interior Department. Mr. Coombs was siso succeeded in the associate editorship by Mr. J. R. S. Van Vielt, and Mr. S. P. Hansoom afterward replaced Mr. Weston,

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HANDS OF A STOCK COMPANY.

the trustees of which were Hons. A. R. Shepherd, A. M. Chap, General O. E. Babcock, Hailet Kilbourn, Lewis Clephane, H. H. Clapp, and — Williams. After a year Messys. Shepherd and Kilbourn withdrew, and their places were sup-THE PRESENT MANAGEMENT ASSUMED CONTROL.

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When this change was made the capital stock of the company was increased, and the following board of trustees was chosen: President, Ballet Kilbourn; vice-president, George A. Sheridau; secretary, Lewis Clephane; treasurer, Frank B. Conger; T. J. Brady, H. D. Cooke, and M. D. Helm, the last-mamed being superintendent of the printing department. The presperity in every department, in circulation, in advertising, and in general good feeling in the community, which has attended THE REPUBLICAN during the past year is phenomenal, and proves that the injection of young blood, fresh vigor, and sterling integrity was all that was wanted to convince the people that it was the best daily newspaper ever published in the District. Of all the papers that were in existence in Washington at the time THE REPUBLICAN made its first appearance but one, the Evening Sar, alone remains. Of those who were first interested in the venture but one, Mr. Clephane, is now a slockholder and trustee in THERE, PUBLICAN, and that genileman looks with parionable pride upon the present salwart growth of the Infant sheet whose birth he presided over and whose early life he wateried with such tender solicitude. THE REPUBLICAN is at present officials.

whose early life be watered with such tender solicitude. The Kepublican is at present of the carry life be watered with such tender solicitude. The Kepublican is at present of twery department of the paper; George C. Gorbano, political editor; Charence M. Barton, managing and news editor; Frank T. Howe, city editor, and an efficient corps of reportive vigorous editorials, bright editorial notes, and careful arrangement of the graph news, spicy locale, full departmental news, including the complete record of Itoms of interest in relation to both the army and navy, the intelligent theatrical and musical criticisms, and reviews of recent publications, and in fact every reading column of The Kepublican, attents the fidelity of these gens office is presided over by Mr. Frank B. Concer, with Mr. W. Scott Towers as book keeper, and the crowded condition of the advertisements shows that the people of Washington recognize the value of The Kepublican as and early and the provided condition of the advertisements shows that the people of Washington recognize the value of The Kepublican as management and stockholders of the result of their first year's efforts to present a newspaper which should be a credit to the Capital of the Newton, and which should present a complete daily photograph of every incident of interest, whether in the Bepartments of the Government, in the higher walks of social file, or the realms of povery and crime in this city, or that might be their and to not only keep in a subject to the result of the management for their generous pattonage, and to assure them that it will be their aim to not out add such effective features as experience and occasion may dietate.

DUBLIN, Dec. 2.—At the evictions yes-terday at Bercheven Mrs. Reynolds, a member of the Ladies' Land League, preceded the sheriff

the Ladies Land League, preceded the sherin and advised the people not to conclude a compromise by which they would be reinstated as eare takers, as in that case they would get no aid from the League. Her interference was successful in preventing a actilement in one case. She was loudly cheered by the people.

The American Realth Savans. Public Health Association closed its minth annual session in this city this afternoon. An amendment to the constitution was passed, making the second vice-president a member of the executive council. There was an animisted discussion on a resolution to get Saice representation in the National Board of Health, which ended in the resolution being decaded.

making the second vice-president a member of the executive cameli. There was an adminded ton in the last day or two report that Senator Meining who now holds his appointment from the Governor, will be unadmously combated by the Republic as of the Israel and the Israel and Is

LIGHT IN THE EAST.

The Imperial Decree of the Emperor of Japan Charging the Government, Having received a copy, translated into English, of the late I core of the Emperor of J. au, in regard a constitutional government, we are gird to lat it less a our readers, premising it with an ximet from a private letter sent by a Japan se gentleman to a friend in this city, as

Japan se gentlema.

"You have no doubt read about the Imperial decree, i xing a date for the establishment of a n form parliament. It is considered as one of the greatest events of our national history under the present Emperor. This may seem to be nothing to outside nations, but if you take into consideration the apid growth and influence expublic opinion and the steady progress of pullifications, among the people, it is the most important event in the history of the nation."

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New Sitting on the throne which has been occupied by our dynasy for over 2,200 years, and now exercising in our own name and right the authority and power transmitted to us by our accessors, have long bud it in view gradually to establish a constitutional for not government, to the end that our successors on the throne may be provided with a rate for their endance.

It was with this object in view that in the eight year of Meiji authorized the formation of lecal assemblies, thus laying the found in the elevanty year of Meiji authorized the formation of lecal assemblies, thus laying the found aton for the gradual reforms which we contemplated. These, our acts, must convince you, are subjects, of our adstraination in this respect from he beginning.

Statement and even the man different our of the contemplated in the elevant responsibility to them for the faithful discharge of our high duties, in accordance with the transpless and the perpetual increase of the glore they bere impressed the determination we have almounced, and we therefore hereby declare that we shall, in the twenty-third year of Meiji, establish a parliament in order to carry into full effect the determination we have amounced; and we charge our faithful subjects bearing our commissions to make, in the meantline, all necessary preparations to that end.

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With regard to the limitations upon the imperial prerogative and the constitution of the periament, we shall decide hereafter and shall make proclamation in due time.

We perceive that the tendency of our people is to alwance too rapidly, and without that thought and consideration which alone can make procrees chiuring, and we ware arrantineers, high and low, to be mindful of our will, and that those who may advocate sudden and violent changes, thus disturbing the peace of our resim, will fall under our displeasure. We expressly proclaim this to our subjects. By command of His Imperial Majesty.

SANJO SANETOMI,
First Minister of State.

THE ARMY AND NAVY.

Commander Edwin M. Shepard was at the Eb-bit Living yesterday.

Mos er Edwin L. Reynolds and wife, arrived at the Ebbitt House yesterday morning.

Vassed Assistant Surgeon John H. Bagg, U. S. N., prived at the Ebbitt House yesterday.

Constan William H. Bagg, U. S. N.,

arrived at the Ebbitt House yesterday.
Captain William II. Corbusier, assistant surgeon, U.S. A., arrived at the Ebbitt House yesterday from Fort Washakle, Wyoning Territory.
The I respatch commander, Charles McGregor, o my andine, is expected to leave hore about this ster part of next week for the Island of Hayti to 8 yesterday have been sent to the Norfelk Navy-Yari to shis the propeller of the rigate Omaha to the Portsmouth Navy-Yard. This looks as if her re all a sur nearly completed.
M., willie Edouin and said Edwin (Alice Atherton), he well-known artists, we in handsomely entertained by the others on board the Passaic, at the navy-yard, Thursday horseson.
To Fish Commission steamer Lookout, Heuten, T) e Fish Commission steamer Lookout, Lieuten ant W. Ham Maxwell Wess, U.S. N., commanding arrived at the navy-yard yesterday morning from

Ex-Secretary of the Navy Thompson and his so dr. Charley Thempson, arrayed here Thurnda evening from their home in Terre Hante, Indiad are visiting Rear-Admiral Gustavus H. Scott No. 2928 G street.

at No. 2028 G street.

Master Gustavas C. Hanus, who is now living with his family at No. 520 Thirteenth street, contemplates routing the hands one residence which Master Ashe C. Haker has recently built on the Stone estate.

Unter Engineer W. W. W. Wood, e. S. and the Mood left list evening for Florida in secret matter by Mrs. Wood a feet list evening for Florida in secret matter by the contemplate of the secret matter by th

life.
The remains of the late Li-utenant-Commander Benjamin Long Edes, who was killed at Newport last summer by the premainre explosion of a torpedo, arrived at the navy-yard yesterday afternoon in the Taliapoosa. At two p. m. to-day they will be escorted by members of his class now on duty in Washington, from the yard to Oak Hill Condery, where services will be performed at the grave at half-past three p. m.

The Taliapoosa. Commander Augustin G. Kel. grave at nair-past three p. m.

The Tallapoosa, Commander Augustus G. Kelloge commanding, arrived at the navy-ward yesterday, about noon, from the several navy-yards along the coast, bringing a very heavy freight. Among her cargo is the remains of the late Lieutenaut-Commander Renjamin Long

Among the coast, pringing a very heavy freight. Among her cargo is the remains of the late Lieutenant-Commander Benjamin Long Edes, who was killed at Newport, R. L. ame months ago by the explosion of a torpedo. The remains will be taken from the shie to-day and interred in Oak Hill Cemetery, and will be excerted by a number of his academy classmates who are now in the city.

The following naval orders were made public yeak-rday: Capta in Flaward P. Leil, U. S. N., who was promoted November I, ordered to special day here: Lieutenant Watton Goodwin, U. S. N., who recently returned from Proposin the Figure Treaton, is owned to duty at the Naval Academy; Commander Edvin M. shepard, Lieutenant John H. Mosec, and Master Chitan H. Lyeth, are detached from the training ship Constitution, ind placed on waiting orders; Lleutenants James M. Miller and Arthur P. Nave, Master Charles W. Bartlett, and Midshipmen Leigh O. Garrett and Charles C. Marsa are detached from the frigate Constitution and endered to the Minnesota and ordered to duty on board the receiving ship Colorado, at the New York Navy-Yard, Paymaster Leonard A. Trailey is detached from the Constitution, ordered to settle accounts and then swalt orders.

INCIDENTS OF THE GREAT TRIAL.

The counsel for the Government, in speaking to he assassin, address him as "Mr. Guiteau." It seemed to be the Impression that Judge Por-ter's cross-examination was barren of Important

It is probable that the defense will conclude their evidence this forenous and the examination of the insanity experts will then begin.

The Government has retained Dr. F. B. Loriog to testify as to structural changes in the eye which is said to be common to insane people.

Mrs. Dr. Susan A. Edson, one of the attendants of the late President Garfield, occupied a seat in the rear of those feserved for the use of the defense.

spiration.

Among the visitors yesterday was Hon. Charles J. Brooks, of Boston, ex-senator of the Massachusetts Legislature, and now editor of the Beston Evening Stor.

The assassin came on the witness stand at quarter past two o'clock Monday afternoon and left at the same hour yesterday, having been under fire four days.

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The last answer made by the assessin to Judge Porter was when he acknowledged that he had bit remores for his act, and Judge Porter immediately excused him.

In the course of his examination the assessin said that he was prevented from killing his victim while with his wife for the reason that he did not care to have a scene.

The assessin never loses an opportunity to puff the book called Truth, and once after Judge Porter and stated that he had read a certain passage, (mixeus langhingly said, "That has not been printed yet, Judge."

While the crowd were waiting for the removal of the assessin, a drunken man created quite a scheation by his outerles and saides. He was appending blaced in a wagon and bauled off to the Seventh Precinct Station.

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When excused from the witness box the assessin burries to his seat at the table and exchanged greetings with his stater and comio. He begins to show signs of the ordeat to which he has been subjected, and there is a realess, dangerous look in

jected, and there we a reasters, dangerous roos in his eyes.

During the cross-examination Judge Porter read extracts from the Bereaus, or Biblic of the Oneida Community, and the assessin's lectures on the Book of Trinth, as he terms it. It was ascertained that the so called lectures were planjarisms, having been copied from the Hercans.

While on the wileses stand the assassin, for the first time, displayed a pair of eyo-glasses, but used them in the awaysard manner peculiar to personant acceptance of helps to read. At one time he did not relish a question pur by Judge Porter, and cooly picked up a newspaper and begun reading it.

During the first few days of the trisl it was the general opinion smong members of the bar that

INSOLENT GUITEAU.

HIS CROSS-EXAMINATION ENDED.

nother Highly Interesting Day in Court-The Assassin's Sullen Auswers-A Large Number of Ladies Present in Court-The Proceedings in Detail.

Yesterday was ladies' day in erery sense at the Guiteau trial, as they were on hand a few minutes past nine o'clock in such numbers that Marshal Henry was forced to admit them to the court-room. It required but five minutes to fill every inch of sitting and standing room, and when at ten o'clock the door was opened leading ont upon the centre wing the general public was disgusted to find that no provision had been made for its accommodation. Despite the crowd good order prevailed during the proceedings, except when there would be a sharp raily between the assassin and Judge Perter, and then the spectators would manifest their feeling by hearty laughter. Chilean did not some to be a selector would manifest their feeling by hearty laughter. Guiteau did not seem to be in a pleasant mood after the ordeal of the previous day, and shortly after his examination was begun he commenced to mock and jour at the counsel for the Govcomment. His actions were disgraceful in many respects, and in the opinion of the numerous strengers present should have been prevented by hard measures, if necessary. Owing to the throng in every part of the court-room it was difficult to distinguish aguaintances, but smong those who took a deep increase in the trial way Recognition. merest in the trial were Representatives Springer, Hilinois: Mason, New York; and Valentine, Ne-brasks; Register Bruce, of the Treasury Depart-ment; Assistant Postmasier M. M. Parker, George F. Timms, John A. Ellinger and wife, Joseph Par-cer, L. S. Emery, Rev. John Lanaban, of Foundry Lurch; C. M. Matthews, president of the School Board; Mr. Smith, chief of the railroad division eneral Land-Office: Dr. Lloyd Magrader, Audi-er Brockett, of Alexandria, Va.; W. T. Prime, aklimore, Md.; and Miss Alice Atherion and everal members of the Sparks Troupe, now play-og an engagement at the National Theatre. As as been customary for the past two or three days, the assaisin was taken directly to the witness box, where he remained till his examination was con-ouded at quarter-past two colock in the after-mon. Upon the opening of the Court the assassin anneanced his intention of declining to answer questions upon subjects already gone over, and said he would appeal to the Court for protection

fr om the counsel for the prosecution. Ris Book as the Gospel. Without paying any attention to this remark udge Porter asked: Was it one of your purposes in killing the Presi-

dent to create a demand for your book? One of the objects was to preach the Gospel, as set forth in my ook. Mr. Porter repeated the question, and was an-

swored with a sullen "I have answered it" from the prisoner. The question being repeated once more, the prisoner appealed to the Court as to whether he had not already answered. The Court having held that the question must be answered more specifically, the prisoner replied in the affirmative. n the affirmative. You say in the paper which you wrote on the 20th of June: "It will save the Republic and reste a demand for my book," Correct, sir: that

was the object of my inspiration.
You regard your book as the Gospel? As an im-portant explanation of the lib e. I claim that it is a collateral gospel. I undertake to say that the ook is the Bible brought down to the present day. In so far as there is any truth in my book it comes from the Deity; and I claim that it contalus important truth.

Is their any truth that does not come from the

Deity? In a general way all truth comes from the

to, or my name twenty years ago when I was a foolish oy.
There was a time when you were a foolish boy? It was a foolish impulse that I did not like Casar as Julius, or Sambo either. I meant no disrespect to the colored race, because there are many col-

ored people called Carar, Julius, and Sambo, Now-a-days a colored man is just as good as a white man. When you wrote "the President's nomination was an act of God; his election was an act of God; his removal was an act of God," did you have Napoleon's bulletins in your mind? (Apparently gratified)-That is the way I express myself-

Mr. Porter-I think you have remarkable power of brains, and whatever your brother-in-law may think, I appreciate your ability.

The Prisoner (bighly pleased)—I thank you, ludge, for your good opinion.

Mr. Porter (significantly)—I think that is the opinion of every person.

The Prisoner (excitedly)—I take my chance be-fore this court and the jury on the fact that the Delty inspired the act. I am not a fool; and the Deity never employed a fool to do His work. He out it into my brain and heart, and left me to work tout in my own way, And you did? Under the sanction of the Deity.

He did not give you an after sanction? The pres-sure on me commenced about six weeks before the actual shooting. I was a predestined man from the foundation of the world to do this act, and I

The Assassin's Destiny. You believe in the doctrine of predestination? Most decidedly. I claim that I am a man of destiny. You spoke of Napoleon; he thought he was a man of destiny, though he had different work from me. I am a man of destiny as much as the Saviour, or Paul, or Martin Luther, or any of those

my destiny to obey the divine will and let Him take care of it. I put up my life and I have not been hung or shot yet. Mr. Porter—And you do not expect to be? The Prisoner—I had no expectation except to do the divine will and let Him take care of me. I am satisfied with the Delty's conduct of this case up

to the present morecut.

Mr. Porter—You outertained the Deity's proposition for two weeks before you finally came to the conclusion that it was right?

The Prisoner-I came to the conc'usion that it as His will gand I had to do it, whatever became

of me.
Mr. Porter-When were you first inspired? The Prisoner—I decline to discuss this matter with you any further. I have gone over the ground several times before, and the papers are full of it this morning. If you went sny more ideas on that subject I refer you to the papers. I will not be an-noged in this way may more. The ceurt and jory and the country understand it. Now, if you have got anything new I will entertain you, other-

he Oneida Community? The Prisoner-I claim to—
Mr. Porter-Was it the same sort of Inspiration
that inspired you to kill Gardeld?

The Prisoner-II was from the same Delty.
Mr. Porter-And communicated in the same

Doity as the result of pressure. Sometimes pressure comes upon my brain, my spirit, and my heart. That is the way I got into the Oneida Com-

Mr. Porter-Did the Delty inspire you to leave The Prisoner-I decline to answer. I have gone ver that several times. I refer you to the news-

the papers.

The Prisoner-They have heard my statement the subject of inspiration having been put, and answers declined by the prisoner, on the ground that he had already answered them, he saked the protection of the court from that kind of cross-

leave the Occids Community, and establish a theocratic paper, that turned out to be a fallure? The Prisoner—I did not actually start the paper, although I consulted about it. I did not consider that the time had come to establish that kind of

The Prisoner-No, sir.